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-- SYSTEM (NATO SIX-S)

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-- B) USNATO 386 (DTG 231735Z JAN 76)

1. FOLLOWING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN DOD PERSONNEL AND U.S. REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NATO INDUSTRIAL ADVISORY GROUP (NIAG), US INDUSTRY WILL NOT PARTICIPATE IN MEETING (FEBRUARY 16-17) NOR IN THE NIAG PRE-FEASIBILITY STUDY ON THE NATO SURFACE-TO-AIR SHIP SELF-DEFENSE SYSTEM (NATO SIX-S).

2. THE BASIS FOR THIS POSITION IS THE POSSIBILITY OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITHIN US INDUSTRY RELATIVE TO THE US NAVY'S ONGOING EFFORT CONCERNING THE SHIPBOARD INTER-MEDIATE RANGE COMBAT SYSTEM (SIRCS).

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3. THIS MESSAGE CONFIRMS FEBRUARY 12 PHONE CONVERSATION
BETWEEN CMDR JOHN HEYDE (OASD-DDR AND E) AND COL PAT
LYNCH'S SECRETARY. AMPLIFIED GUIDANCE WILL BE PROVIDED
TO US MISSION PRIOR TO THE NADREP'S MEETING ON MARCH 22.

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